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FOR UNITED STATES PATENT**

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter that which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled **DYNAMIC O_x BIOLOGICAL BURDEN REDUCTION**, the specification of which is attached hereto unless the following is checked:

☒ [X] The specification was filed on **December 22, 1998**.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specification, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

I hereby acknowledge the duty to disclose information that is material to the examination of this application in accordance with Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, § 1.56(a).

Under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(a)-(d) or § 365(b), I hereby claim foreign priority benefits of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or under Title 35, United States Code, § 365(a) of any PCT International application which designated at least one country other than the United States, which are listed below, and have also identified below any foreign application for patent or inventor's certificate, or of any International applications having a filing date before that of the application on which priority is claimed:

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Provisional Patent Application No. 60/068,668, filed December 23, 1997.

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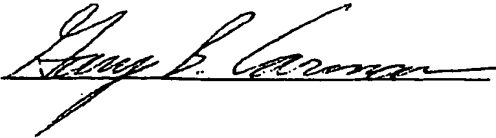
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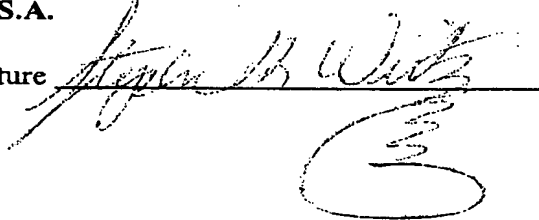


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